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TOUGH OLD ADENAUER

The Soviet Union has stepped up its campaign for a German peace treaty in a major diplomatic turn. In a note to the Bonn government recently the Soviet Union called anew for an end to the thirteen-year division of Germany.

Such a plea is close to German hearts, for the one thing most Germans want more than anything else today is unification of their country. On the other hand, their plea does not fool Konrad Adenauer, the eighty-plus year-old Chancellor of West Germany. For Russia has said, and still insists, that a German peace treaty be signed, clearing the way for the removal of all troops from Germany, after which the East Germans and West Germans can conclude an agreement to bring unification. The only catch to this is that this would deprive West Germany of all Western forces, while the Soviets would still control East Germany.

Repying to the latest Soviet plan, Adenauer spoke in typical vein. "We do not want to deal with the Moscow lackies," he said, adding: "I am ashamed to call these Soviet lackies Germans. We want the German people to express their political decisions in freedom."

As long as Adenauer is around, it seems, West Germany, which is fifty million of some sixty-eight million Germans, will be strongly allied to the West and will resist the Communist powers to the utmost and with a firm resolve.

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TO THE VERY BRINK

It now seems that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has followed his policy of inflexibility and all-out support of Chiang Kai-Shek to the very brink of war. Meanwhile, it is clear that practically all of our allies, and a majority of the world, look upon our inflexible position with considerable alarm.

Moreover, it becomes increasingly evident that if we become engaged in a major war over the Quemoy Islands, as distinguished from Formosa, we may not have a major ally to stand with us.

Under these circumstances, it certainly behooves every American to look at the problem from the other side of the hill, so to speak. Let us view the situation, then, from the Chinese Communist standpoint for a moment.

In the first place, there is no longer any question of a doubt that the Chinese Communists are in solid control of the six hundred million people on the mainland of China. That this government is in control and is a physical reality is a fact beyond any doubt. Moreover, it is the government that we are having to deal with, at Warsaw, and elsewhere and we cannot forever "ignore it" or "wish" it out of existence.

The United States, through its encouragement of Chiang Kai-Shek, and its military aid to this deposed ruler, is encouraging Kai-Shek to make raids on the Chinese mainland, to blocade Chinese shipping, and to send spies and saboteurs and aggravate and antagonize and irritate Communist China in every conceivable way. Yet, there is absolutely no possibility that the Chinese Communists will be unable to take the offshore islands—as distinguished from Formosa itself—when and if they make a major bid to do so.

That is true because the Quemoy Islands, for instance, are only just three or four miles off the coast of China, and a country of six hundred million people is certainly going to be able to amass the resources to take such a comparatively insignificant outpost of the Kai-Shek forces.

The greatest danger facing the United States in several years, faces us at this moment, and that is the danger that Secretary of State Dulles and President Eisenhower will get the United States committed to a major action against both China and Russia, without any allies, over the relatively unimportant Quemoy Islands. It is true that this sort of statement sounds like one is ready to appease, with all the melancholy stigma which is attached to that word. On the other hand, if we must fight a major war with these two military powers, let us have allies and let us do it in an area of our own choosing, and not be dragged into one, against our wishes, by an excessive commitment to Chiang Kae-Shek and an inflexible policy, which allows the enemy and not us, to choose the time and place of its origin.

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AMERICAN BUSINESS LEADERS SPEAK

Eight representatives of top business management in eight different industries recently took a look at the economic future. The main purpose was to see how prospects looked in the fields from metals to soft goods. The result was an optimistic view.

The analysis took place at the National Industrial Conference Board's sixth annual marketing conference in New York. The assumption was that there will be no worsening in foreign affairs which would change the picture, and if this is the case, the following is the diagnosis and prediction of these experts:

1. A twenty per cent gain in new car sales in the coming year.
2. A twenty-five per cent gain in steel production over 1958, during which it seems likely some 85,000,000,000 tons of ingot will have been produced in all.
3. A slight gain in construction.
4. Somewhat higher sales in 1959 for textiles.
5. An increase in oil demand of from four to five per cent in domestic markets.
6. A small but definite rise in machinery and equipment sales.
7. A combination of presently observable improvement in non-ferrous metal consumption.
8. Substantial gains in sales in the chemical industry.

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The smart man knows what he doesn't know.

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A speech written, but not delivered, does no harm.

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If you want to be highly recommended, let somebody else say the word.

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There are workers in the world whose chief occupation is to appear busy.

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An executive is a man who has to work hard to find work for the staff to do.

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Financial advice: save money now. It will be worth having a few years from now.

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There is no reason in the world why an automobile driver cannot exhibit courtesy on the highways.

Washington Notes

On Seeding Clouds

The Navy has announced that it has managed to create clouds and destroy others by seeding them with ordinary carbon black.

The woman scientist who discovered the new method said experiments over southern Georgia produced a series of clouds "at a cost of 18 cents a cloud."

Economic Recovery

With things looking up in the steel, auto and textile industries, the economic recovery promises to keep going into next year.

That is a summary of the views given to Commerce Secretary Weeks by his Business Advisory Council.

Ike's Campaign Role

President Eisenhower apparently intends to limit his participation in the congressional campaign to fewer than a half-dozen speeches in the final three weeks before the November election.

Republican campaigners, notified Eisenhower won't be available until after October 15, are hoping Vice President Nixon will expand greatly a schedule that now calls for eight speeches in four states.

U. S. - Britain Agree

The United States and Britain have agreed upon (1) the essential need to maintain effective military forces, both conventional and nuclear, in a high state of "readiness."

The agreement was announced in a communique after the close of three days of defense talks between Neil H. McElroy, Secretary of Defense, and Duncan Sandys, British Minister of Defense, and high-ranking associates.

Tax Exemptions

The Internal Revenue Service has announced that on Nov. 3 it would disclose all approved applications for income tax exemptions granted non-profit educational, charitable, and religious organizations.

Increase in Smoking

Some smokers who change from plain to filter-tip cigarettes tend to smoke more than they did before, according to a report by the Department of Agriculture.

This is one reason the cigarette output for 1958 is expected to be at a record level of 457,000,000,000 against 442,000,000,000 in 1957, the department said.

Oil Imports

Crude oil imports exceeded the national quota during August for the first time in eleven months, according to a recent Department of the Interior report.

The August crude oil imports averaged 977,400 barrels a day, 43,300 above the national allocation of 934,100.

Lead and Zinc Imports

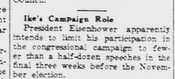
President Eisenhower has imposed quotas cutting lead and zinc imports by one-third.

He said he had acted because of the "genuine distress" of the domestic industry. The quotas are the first in a long time for items other than agricultural commodities, although there is a voluntary quota system for petroleum imports.

Israel Getting Arms

Israel is beginning to receive a small but steady flow of weapons from Britain, France and the United States.

The Israeli Government is highly pleased, according to diplomatic informants, by the effect of its recent campaign to convince the Western capitals that Israel is entitled to a "deterrent" to the growing military strength of the United Arab Republic and its allies. The campaign followed the Iraqi revolution of July 14.



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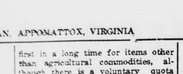

In hair styling the tendril tendency has taken over. Tendril hangs, winging forward from a cap of waves, calls for expert cutting and care. The results, we think, are well worth the effort.

Even capped hair is curved into tendrils about the face. There is something new called the electric comb that is a real help when winging up soft bubble curls and waves.

The pinwheeling hair is lovely on a head with some natural curl or when a permanent is given for this effect by an operator who really knows his business.

One wonderful bit about the new hair-dos is that they are intended to take advantage of the natural wave and growth of one's hair.

It seems most any length goes as long as the trend of careful casualness and soft tendrils is kept in mind. This is so much more practical than anything we have ever seen before.

It means that even the woman who is going to be stylish, even if it kills her, can adapt the fashionable look to her personal needs.

Gone is the set look, every hair in place, for the woman under 40. Go to a good hairdresser and make him take the time to figure out just what you need.

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Early Seeded Oats Often Damaged by Fungus

Early seeding of oats for fall and winter has increased in recent years, but these oats seeded in August or early September often are severely damaged by a fungus disease known as Victoria blight.

S. B. Fenne, plant pathologist at VPI, says that recent testing has show that losses from Victoria blight may be reduced by planting the more resistant varieties of rye or wheat for fall fastures instead of oats or barley. Crop rotation and treating oat seed with an effective mercury seed-protectant before the planting will also help reduce losses.

The disease is most serious in early-seeded grain because of the warm and often wet weather that prevails in August and September. It is usually of little importance on oats seeded after mid-September.

SPRAY OILING EGGS PAYS IN SOME CASES

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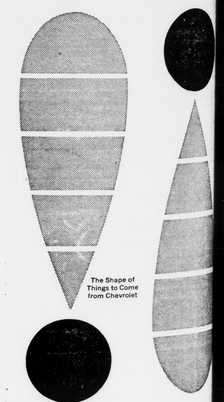

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A Salute To Our . . . . . Appomattox Volunteer Firemen

Every hour of every day, every hour of every night, there is the solid knowledge in the Appomattox community, that if there is a fire, skilled help will reach you in an amazing short time. It is wonderful to have that assurance, and it means a lot to live in a community with such public-spirited volunteers.

We want to Salute the Appomattox Volunteer Fire Company, and *"give flowers to the living"* by saying that our entire community is indebted to these fine men for the FREE volunteer service they render.

We had occasion recently to time the speed of these volunteers in answering an alarm. We checked our watch at the first sounding of the fire alarm. In less than 45 SECONDS, the fire truck was on the way, with six firemen aboard! These volunteers have jobs in nearly shops and business places, and their employers cheerfully join in the pride we all feel when the men chalk up another contribution to holding down fire losses. Fire losses in Appomattox are, fortunately, at rock bottom, and much of the credit goes to the Volunteer Firemen. They get no salary, and have to use their own time for instruction and practice and maintenance of their gear and equipment.

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Each year in the month of October, there in an observance of National Fire Prevention Week. Of course, every week and every day, we should think and act in the prevention of fires. But it is worthwhile, at this time, to do some checking into the status of your chimney, for example. Each year, as fall fires are started in homes, there are a number of chimney fires. Many of them could be avoided. The same with poor electrical wiring as a major cause of fires. The entire subject of Fire Prevention is an important one, and so is the accompanying need for adequate insurance coverage.

We would like to point out that our Community has a large investment in its fire fighting equipment. That includes an adequate water supply, properly spaced fire hydrants, a fire engine house, fire engines, hose, extinguishers and all the assorted equipment to give the community maximum protection against a fire disaster.

As community business men, we realize the value of this equipment, and are glad that our local taxes have enabled us, one and all, to provide these things. And surely, the investment will increase, for we want to meet the challenge of giving our fine Volunteer Firemen the best, so they can protect us. And we know, too, that you will want to support your Home Community in all its activities so that we might keep "Appomattox a growing town!"

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